

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 1/24/2012	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Eric Wier, Environmental Programs Division (805) 788-2766	
(4) SUBJECT Request to Approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Templeton Road Widening Project (ED09-108; 300386), located southeast of the Community of Templeton in the El Pomar/Estrella Planning Area.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is our recommendation that your Honorable Board approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration for a project by the Department of Public Works to widen a 0.63 mile portion of Templeton Road southeast of the community of Templeton.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) HR3, Prop 1B	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$826,782.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		(12) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(13) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR)  N/A		(14) W-9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
(15) LOCATION MAP  Attached	(16) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT?  No	(17) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date _____	
(18) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW  <div style="text-align: center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Nikki J. Schmidt</div>			
(19) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 1 -			

Reference:      12JAN24-C-8

## County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works

Eric Wier, Environmental Programs Division

VIA: Mark Hutchinson, Environmental Programs Manager

DATE: 1/24/2012

SUBJECT: Request to Approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Templeton Road Widening Project (ED09-108; 300386), located southeast of the Community of Templeton in the El Pomar/Estrella Planning Area.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is our recommendation that your Honorable Board approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration for a project by the Department of Public Works to widen a 0.63 mile portion of Templeton Road southeast of the community of Templeton.

### **DISCUSSION**

This item is a request to approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration for a proposal by the County Department of Public Works to widen an approximately 0.63 mile portion of Templeton Road between South El Pomar Road and Bluebird Hill Lane. The project will provide two 12-foot wide travel lanes with a 4-foot minimum paved shoulder. The project's goal is to improve safety by allowing for more recovery room for vehicles along Templeton Road as well as improve travel for cyclists.

The scope of project construction will include cutting back existing roadway cut slopes, placing fill in low areas, constructing two retaining walls, realigning an existing roadside ditch, and replacing several culverts. The project will result in approximately 3.9 acres of disturbance within and adjacent to the County road right-of-way. The project is within the Residential Rural and Agriculture land use categories in the El Pomar/Estrella planning area, First Supervisorial district.

The proposed Negative Declaration identified impacts and mitigations in the following issue areas: Agricultural Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise and Water. Mitigation will include best management practices for noise and air pollution, water pollution, and erosion control. Prior to the commencement of work within the ditch bed and banks, permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), California Regional Water Quality Control Board, and California Department of Fish and Game must be secured. No impacts to federally listed or sensitive species are anticipated.

Construction is anticipated to occur between June and September of 2013. It is anticipated that construction will take approximately fifteen weeks. Work will occur during the dry season within County right of way and on privately owned parcels. Staging will occur within County Right-of-Way and on privately owned property.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

National Environmental Policy Act review was coordinated by Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance staff. The project will require permits or involvement from the California Department of Fish and Game, Army Corps of Engineers, and the Regional Water Quality Control Board. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was noticed for public comment for a 30-day review period ending January 13, 2012. No comments were received during the initial portion of the comment period.

The County Environmental Coordinator has reviewed and approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The project will be funded by the Federal Highway Administration's High Risk Rural Roads (HR3) Program, supplemented by Proposition 1B funds. The current Fiscal Year 2012 Budget for the project is \$826,782 which covers part of the construction. At the time of the Construction Contract Award, we will return to the Board with a budget adjustment to increase the appropriation and funding from the HR3 program.

### **RESULTS**

Approval of this Mitigated Negative Declaration will complete the California Environmental Quality Act portion of the environmental review phase and allow the project to move into the environmental permitting compliance phase. Completion of the project will improve safety by allowing for more recovery room for vehicles along Templeton Road.

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Vicinity Map
2. Mitigated Negative Declaration